STATE OF ILLINOIS



ILLINOIS **COMMERCE** COMMISSION

March 22, 2000

GTE North Incorporated GTE South Incorporated Citizens Telecommunications Company of

Joint Petition for the Approval of Purchase and Sale of Assets, and Related Agreements Pursuantto §7-102 of the Public Utilities Act;

the Issuanceof Certificatesof Interexchange Service, Service, and Exchange Service Authority Pursuant to §§13-403, 13-404 and 13-405 to Citizens Telecommunications

Company of Illinois; the Discontinuanceby GTE North Incorporated GTE South Incorporated Service Pursuantto §13-406 of

Incorporate dof Service Pursuantto §13-406 of the Public Utilities Act; the Issuance of an Order Approving Designation of Citizens

Telecommunications Company of Illinois as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier Covering the Service Area Consisting of the Exchanges to be Acquired from GTE North Incorporated and GTE South Incorporated Upon the Closing of this Purchase and Sale of Assets; the Issuance Of a Letter of Non-Opposition to Waiver of Study Areas; the Authorization of Citizens Telecommunications Company of Illinois to Maintain its Books and Records Illinois to Maintain its Books and Records

Outsideof the State of Illinois; and the Granting of All Other Necessary and Appropriate Relief.

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NOTICE OF HEARING EXAMINER'S RULING AND NOTICEOF SCHEDULE

Notice is hereby given that, during a conference call held March 22, 2000, the parties of record appearing through counsel, it was determined that the parties could not agree upon a schedule in the above captioned docket. Both parties submitted proposed schedules, which have bean reviewed by the Hearing Examiner.

Notice is also given that the following schedule is hereby adopted. All dates are in hand delivery dates to all parties and Staff

Staff Direct Testimony

Joint Petitioner Rebuttal Testimony,

Staff Rebuttal Testimony,

Joint Petitioner Sur-Rebuttal Testimony,

EvidenciaryHearings,

May 10, 2000 May 24, 2000 June 5, 2000 June 14, 2000

June 28.2000 until completed.

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Sincerely

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